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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	:	Before the Examiner:
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement having a mailing date of September 20, 2006, with a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 20, 2006, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute Claims 1-13 and 24-32 in Species 1, and hereby cancel Claim 42 in Species 4. Claims 14-23 and 33-41 in Species 2 and 3 respectively are canceled with traverse:

Claims 14-23 and 33-41 are directed to a method using the parallel pattern detection engine defined in Claims 1-13 and thus these claims are not patentable distinct from Claims 1-13 and the restriction is not proper. The Applicants traverse the Restriction to Claims 14-23 in Species 2 and Claims 33-41 in Species 3 on the grounds that these claim are method claims and should be examined as a single group.